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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Steven J. Savage et al.  
Appln. No.: 10/663,717  
Filed: September 17, 2003  
For: FILTER SYSTEM FOR A DEEP FAT  
FRYER  
Attorney Docket No: 12361-224

Examiner: Timothy F. Simone  
Art Unit: 1761

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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

Sir:

Applicant(s) requests continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

- ☒ Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (*check at least one of the following*):
- ☒ Previously submitted:
    - ☐ Applicant(s) requests nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.
    - ☒ Please enter and consider the Response After Final Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on September 11, 2006
    - ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
    - ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
  - ☐ Attached is/are:
    - ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement
    - ☐ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings
    - ☐ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability
    - ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ Request for suspension of action:

Applicant(s) hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)).

☐ Small Entity Status:

☐ Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to claim small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

☐ A small entity statement or assertion of entitlement to claim small entity status was filed in prior application no. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ and such status is still proper and desired.

☐ Is no longer desired.

☒ Applicant(s) calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:

☒ A Request fee of \$790.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

☐ A suspension processing fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i).

☐ An additional filing fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 (\_\_\_\_\_ additional independent claims and/or \_\_\_\_\_ additional total claims).

☐ An extension fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) for a one-month extension of time.

☒ Fee payment to cover the above-enumerated fee(s):

☒ A check in the amount of \$790 (request fee) is enclosed.

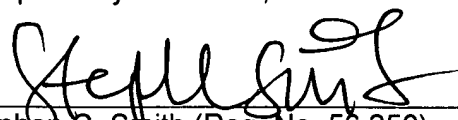
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☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE). A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

10/12/2006  
Date

  
Stephen C. Smith (Reg. No. 56,250)

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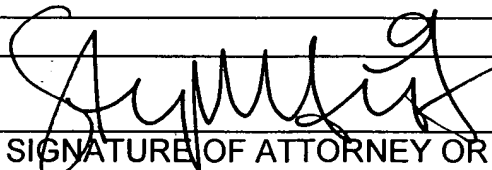
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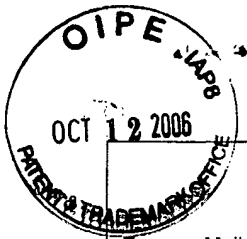
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- ☒ A Request for Continued Examination (RCE);  
☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee calculation:

- ☐ Small Entity.  
☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).  
☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(\_\_\_\_).  
☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

					Small Entity			Not a Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	or	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total		Minus			x \$25=			x \$50=	
Indep.		Minus			x 100=			x \$200=	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$180=			+ \$360=	
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